

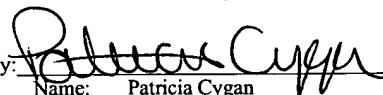


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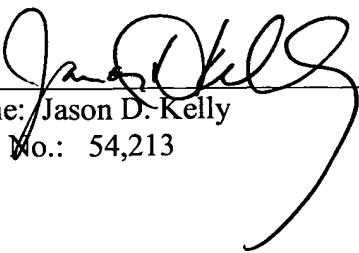
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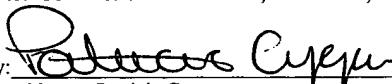
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanying the Notice of Allowance dated April 20, 2005, and submits the following comments.

In the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner stated that “[t]he primary reason for allowance is the inclusion of a method for detecting a triggering event and transmitting information between a portable medical device and a remote location wherein wireless automatic location identification technology is utilized to identifying the location of the device, and wherein information is transmitted based on the type of triggering event.” Applicant notes that the features identified in this statement generally correspond to limitations recited in independent claims 1, 15 and 27.

However, independent claims 36 and 47 include limitations that are different than those recited in independent claims 1, 15 and 27, and do not require all of the features recited in the Examiner's statement. Presumably, claims 36 and 47, and each of the claims dependent thereon, were allowed because they respectively require:

36. A method for remotely monitoring a portable medical device comprising:
 - establishing a link with the portable medical device via a wireless network;
 - receiving an indication of a location of the portable medical device from at least one of a wireless data communicator of the portable medical device and the wireless communication network when the link is established, the location identified using a wireless automatic location identification (ALI) technology; and
 - receiving information related to at least one of a status of the portable medical device and a self-test performed by the portable medical device via the link,

and

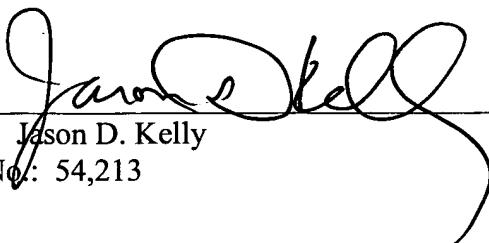
47. A system comprising:
 - a portable medical device that includes a wireless data communicator;
 - a wireless network; and
 - a remote locating service that establishes a link with the portable medical device via a wireless network, receives an indication of a location of one of the portable medical devices from at least one of a wireless data communicator of the portable medical device and the wireless communication network when the link is established, and receives information related to at least one of a status of the portable medical device and a self-test performed by the portable medical device via the link, wherein the location is identified using a wireless automatic location identification (ALI) technology.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter these comments in the record.

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